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Dear Mr. Snow:

As a member of California Trout, I want to express my concurrence with their position that California already has developed enough water supplies for the foreseeable future. I do not believe more dams are the answer to California's water problems.

I believe alternatives to the current CALFED Phase 2 are available that will provide sufficient water for California's future. I support CalTrout's position that increase reliance on groundwater storage may contribute significantly toward providing water more efficiently and at lower cost. Furthermore, avoiding building more dams should prove advantageous to watersheds and the fisheries they support. Increased water conservation actions by agriculture and municipalities also would be essential for making more water available without building more dams and reservoirs. Improved water flows resulting from the alternatives also should improve the quality of Bay-Delta waters.

Respectfully,



Arthur W. Magill